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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Keith D. ALLEN

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Title: Transgenic Mice Containing BMP Gene Disruptions

Group Art Unit: 1636

Examiner: Qian, Celine X.

Customer No. 26619

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 25, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application, the Applicant requests entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks. The Applicant submits concurrently herewith a Petition for the Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for response to the Office Action for a period of two (2) months from June 25, 2003 up to and including August 25, 2003.

THE AMENDMENTS

The Applicant submits that this Amendment follows the revised format described in *AMENDMENTS IN A REVISED FORMAT NOW PERMITTED*, published in *Official Gazette* on February 25, 2003. As such, only one copy of each replacement paragraph, section or claim is required. Further, amendments to the claims are made by presentation of a complete listing of all claims including any amendments.